

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING OCTOBER 5, 2020

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, October 5, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice-President Brad Bray, Member Jack Dodd, County Attorney Alan Wilson and County Auditor Martha Lake.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Asher and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Bray led in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Paul Wyman offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

The Commissioners congratulated the following county employees, and Mr. Dodd read their Employee Service Awards into the record:

Employee	Years of Service
Janice Hart	40
Georgianne Shawver	35
Stacy Jacobs	25
Gregory Lake	25
Penny Goins	25
Brian Lorensberg	20
Terri Hargrove	20
Brian Day	15
Tracey Conyers	15
Brad Pratt	15
Barton Oyler	10
Richard Thomas	10
Kristopher Everett	5
Melinda Green	5
Jason Dacons	5
Staci Haus	5
Ginger Myers	5
Christy Lowry	5
Holly Becker	5
Kimberlee Atwell	5

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of September 21st, 2020, regular meeting having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Highway:

Amber Tolle requested the approval of Materials Bids for 2021 materials. The Notice of Bidders for materials and supplies will be advertised and opened publically at the Commissioners meeting on November 16, 2020. The motion to approve was made by Mr. Dodd, seconded by Mr. Bray, and the motion was carried.

Amber Tolle requested an approval for signing the engineering contract with the LPA for Bridge 56 project. The motion to approve was made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Dodd, and the motion was carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Martha Lake submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims for payment on October 9, 2020, in the amount of \$875,317.79, were submitted and approved on a motion made by Mr. Dodd. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims paid October 5, 2020, in the amount of \$850,087.55, were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Dodd. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY ISSUES:

Attorney Alan Wilson presented an agreement for approval for the Indiana Wesleyan contract for a polling place for the general election. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Dodd, and the motion was carried.

Attorney Alan Wilson presented an amendment to the local agreement between Howard County and City of Kokomo for the cooperative action between the two for the transit program. The previous agreement needed to be amended because there is no current Democrat representation, only Republicans on the board. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Bray, was seconded by Mr. Dodd, and the motion was carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Josh Winrotte, County Extension Director, from the Purdue Extension office was there to introduce the Commissioners to the new 4-H Youth Educator for Howard County, Kim Fraizer. She was a 4-H member growing up and has previously held a position in Miami County with the Purdue Extension office for 19 years. The Commissioners welcomed her to her new role at the Howard County Extension Office.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:16 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Dodd, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried.

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

ROBERT B. BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT

JACK W. DODD, MEMBER

ATTEST:

MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR

Howard County Commissioner Meeting October 19, 2020